

REMARKS

Applicant hereby elects the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-14.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected subject matter of Claims 15-20.

Applicant submitted an Information Disclosure Statement setting forth U.S. Patent No. 4,935,665 and requests that this reference be reviewed and made of record.

If the Examiner has any questions with regards to this response, the undersigned attorney can be contacted at the listed telephone number.

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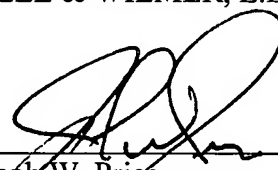
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Very truly yours,

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